## **Appendix A: Interview Questions**

- Do you have any questions at this time about the letter you received from the DRBC? (TMDL process, PCBs, or the proposed role of the TMDL Implementation Advisory Committee)
- 2. Have you been involved in any DRBC-sponsored activities (such as public participation or consultation on issues)? If so, what activities?
- 3. Why is your group concerned with the PCB issue in the Delaware Estuary? How would you characterize your interest in this TMDL process?
- 4. What are your most important goals for this TMDL process?
- 5. Are you familiar with federal TMDL regulatory requirements?
- 6. Has your organization ever been involved in a process to implement a TMDL, or a similar complex technical issue? If so, how?

The Implementation Advisory Committee will be tasked with identifying initiatives used elsewhere that show promise for application in the Estuary, proposing cost-effective initiatives capable of eliminating sources of PCBs, and developing alternatives for achieving the water quality objectives in the TMDL.

- 7. What expectations do you have for this Committee?
- 8. What concerns do you have regarding the Implementation Advisory Committee?
- 9. What kind of role could your organization play in the Implementation Advisory Committee? (What could your organization contribute to the development and implementation of a PCB cleanup and TMDL implementation plan?)

The TMDL Implementation Advisory Committee will be made up of a diverse group of stakeholders, including interest groups, industry, and federal, state, and local governments.

- 10. Have you been on a project like this where you have collaborated with nonprofits, industry, local, state or federal regulatory agencies to develop implementation plans or strategies? If so, can you please describe the effort?
- 11. Who do you believe can best represent your organization's interests on the Implementation Advisory Committee?
  - a. *If response is my organization or somebody in it:* Would your organization represent itself or a coalition of similarly interested organizations?

If the latter: Which organizations would you represent?

- b. Would your organization be interested in serving on the advisory committee?
  - i. If yes: Would you be the appointed member on the advisory committee?
    - (1) If not, who?
    - (2) Would you or your organization be able to appoint an alternate representative?
    - (3) Would the representative have authority to make decisions on behalf of the organization?
    - (4) Can you recommend anybody else that would be a good technical resource for the Committee, somebody that has knowledge of pollution prevention, PCB remediation, etc.

- (5) Knowing what you know about the goals of this project, is there anything that strikes you as a potential solution for reducing PCB loadings in the Estuary? If you were in a meeting today with the Implementation Advisory Committee, what would you suggest?
- ii. *If no:* Can you recommend another individual or organization that could represent your interests on the Advisory Committee?